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IN CASE OF **EMERGENCY**

Sheridan set to receive generator as part of emergency mitigation plan

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Madison County director of emergency management Chris Mumme is one step closer to implementing a countywide emergency mitigation plan. Mumme has received a \$124,000 homeland security grant to purchase and install an emergency generator at Sheridan Elementary School.

The generator will be up and running before the end of September, Mumme said.

"Once we get this generator in for Sheridan, that will be one step closer to finishing up phase two," Mumme said, referring to the second phase of his emergency mitigation plan for the county.

Mumme is focusing on getting generators at key places around the county in case of emergencies. When asked for an example of when generators may be necessary, Mumme cited a power outage that happened in the Ruby Valley December 2013.

"It lasted from 2 to 9:30 a.m. and it was 27 degrees below (zero)," he said. "I was going around finding places to move people in case the power didn't come back on."

In those instances, Mumme's priority is to reach out to people on oxygen tanks because the machines require electricity.

"First, we alert the hospitals because they have backup generators and we can relocate folks there," he explained. "But after that, I really started firing up on this generator thing."

Phase one allowed Mumme to get locations set up on both sides of the county for people to congregate if necessary - the Alder Community Center and station one of the Madison Valley Rural Fire Department are both equipped with new generators.

"Phase two is to get all of our school gymnasiums, which will be used as evacuation centers, set up," he said. "Harrison already has a generator. Sheridan is on deck.

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HARRISON SCHOOL BOARD

Board sets schedule for next year, renews football co-op, addresses concerns with administration

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At their regular meeting on March 9, the Harrison School Board discussed the school's 2015-16 schedule, renewed the football co-op with Whitehall and addressed staff concerns with the school administration.

Superintendent Fred Hofman presented two schedule options for next year – the first mimics Harrison's current schedule and the second proposed adding 20 minutes to every school day so students could have Fridays off for two months during basketball season.

"I don't have any strong

feelings either way," Hofman said. "Some teachers have said they are concerned with students missing a lot of instruction during basketball season."

Teacher Lisa Cooper said she does not think 20 more minutes and Fridays off for two months is the way to go.

"We talk about our kids being tired but if we add 20 more minutes to the school day, sports start 20 minutes later and kids get home 20 minutes later," she said. "And what about what to do with the kids on Fridays if their parents work?"

Board chair Todd Brennan agreed with Cooper, saying he

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VIRGINIA CITY TOWN COUNCIL

Council discusses dark skies ordinance, renames North Park

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The Virginia City town council members unanimously approved a motion to rename North Park to Tendoy Park at their regular meeting on March 5.

"This was his ancestral grounds," said mayor Robert Erdall, explaining where the name change came from. "Tendoy was born at the mouth of Jack Creek in the Madison Valley. Tendoy's sister is buried outside of Twin Bridges.'

Tendoy was the chief of a mixed band of Indians in the late 1800s and early 1900s -Erdall said the mixed band of Bannock Shoshone and Sheep Eaters have been a part of the entire process and approved of the name change.

"We showed the tribal members the area last Friday and they were overwhelmed," Erdall said. "They plan to be here to dedicate the park the morning of July 18 if we approve the name change." Before the council mem-

THE WHOLE SHEBANG



With correct spelling of "shebang," an Alder fifth-grader wins Madison County Spelling Bee

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From devotee to shebang, Christopher Fraser, an Alder fifth-grader, lasted six rounds to advance to the champion. ship and win the Madison County Spelling Bee.

"Congratulations to all of you for making it this far," said Pam Birkeland at the beginning of the bee. Birkeland is the County Superintendent of Schools and organized the event.

The bee drew 14 Madison County fifth through eighthgraders to the Alder Community Center on March 4 to compete for a spot to represent the county at the state competition in Billings on March 21. Leona Stredwick, who works for the Madison County Planning Department, was the pronouncer and Verta Dorseth from Twin Bridges, Megan Ellis from Alder and Jodie Sprout

from Ennis judged the event.

Notoriety, modicum, squirrely, ammunition and boorish kicked off round one and by the start of round two, only six competitors were left. Then six were whittled to four and after round three, Rob Dale from Twin Bridges had a shot at the championship.

When Dale stumbled on "flambé," Rebekah Cook from Ennis, Fraser and Alder's Coleman Gilman were back in the running.

Ocher. Ballyhoo. Ukulele. Tawdry. Pantomime. Maize. Dale misspelled "tawdry" and the competition narrowed to three.

A tricky round six left Fraser standing alone with a shot at the

Abigail Dennis/The Madisonian From left: Rebekah Cook. alternate, and Christopher Fraser, champion, pose with their trophies following the bee.

championship. And that is when he took the whole shebang. "S-H-E-B-A-N-G. Shebang." With that, Madison County had a champion speller.

Fraser's teacher Teresa Murdoch said the Alder students studied from a list

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Streamflow forecast in the Ruby, Madison

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It is the same old story. Snowpack percentages are below normal in both the Madison and the Ruby river basins.

Just last week Lucas Zukiewicz, water specialist with the Natural Resources and Conservation Service, released the 2015 water supply outlook report as of March 15.

According to the report, streamflow predictions are based on careful measurements of snow water equivalent at selected index points. Precipita-**Turn to V.C. TOWN on pg. 2** tion, temperature, soil moisture and antecedent streamflow data are combined with snowpack data to prepare runoff forecasts.

"Most of the annual streamflow in the western United States originates as snowfall that has accumulated high in the mountains during winter and early spring," the report states. "As the snowpack accumulates, hydrologists estimate the runoff that will occur when it melts."

Basins across the state saw further declines in basin percentages of normal snowpack between Feb. 1 and March 1, according to Zukiewicz. That fact directly impacted the streamflow forecasts.

"The Madison River basin has been below normal snowfall for most of this water year and unlike most basins, that are near normal for water year-to-date precipitation, is below normal in this regard," the report states. "Just west of the Madison River basin in the Ruby River drainage and Red Rock Valley, snowpack is well below normal, a trend that has happened three out of the last four years in this area."

Breaking it down

Though the Jefferson River Basin – which includes the Ruby River and Ruby Reservoir – is sitting at 102 percent of normal, the Ruby, in particular, has a snowpack far below normal.

"We're pretty close to

record lows at some of the sites in the Ruby," Zukiewicz said. "Then as you move out of the southern corner of the state toward the Big Hole, snowpack numbers are normal."

The Ruby River Basin has five sites that gather snowpack data. The basin is at 76 percent of normal right now – last year the same sites reported an average of 125 percent of normal.

The basin-wide average April-July streamflow forecast for the Jefferson River is currently at 90 percent of average and 79 percent of last year, according to the report.

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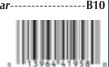
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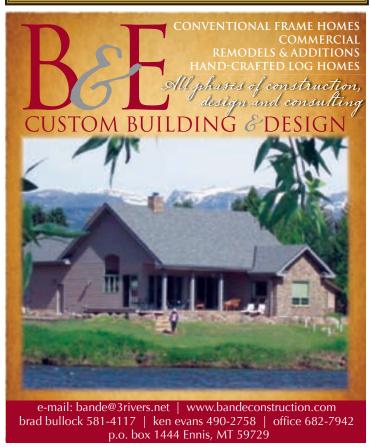
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of words compiled by Scripps National Spelling Bee.

"From this list, the students gave each other words, spelled teacher-given words and studied by themselves," she said. "(Fraser)

and his dad studied a lot at home. His mother, who is presently working in Antarctica, would quiz him over the phone ... Pretty cool that he was being tested clear from Antarctica."

A spell-off

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Then, we'll work on Ennis and finally, Twin Bridges."

Mumme said schools are the perfect locations for evacuation centers. In Sheridan, specifically, Mumme said the large building can house evacuated people in the gym.

"It has a cafeteria for food," he said. "Bathrooms and showers."

Commissioner Jim Hart said schools are often the largest community structures in rural America.

"They can be gathering places during emergency events," Hart said. "Be it a flood, storm or power outage. If that building has a generator and folks are able to congre-

gate there, it is a safe place."

The Sheridan generator is being funded through a \$124,000 homeland security grant that Mumme secured. He said he plans to apply for the same grant this spring to get a generator for Ennis.

"I'd like to get Ennis set up next," he said. "If I don't

"slalom." Finally, with the correct spelling of "noxget Twin Bridges, we'll still

be okay. Sheridan should be

people in the Ruby Valley."

for severe emergencies -

when an outage happens.

Mumme said power in the

area is usually fixed quickly

"If people have no electric-

ity, gas or other amenities, we

would open up the school for

people to go there and have

a place to sleep," he said. "It

too. In a really severe situa-

serves as a distribution center

able to handle all the displaced

The generators are only

First, "grandeur," then,

The competition was not

over after Fraser's win, how-

ever. Cook and Coleman were

called to the front for a spell-

off to determine an alternate.

for the state competition if Fraser is unable to attend. "The spelling bee is an

ious," Cook became Madison

ing she will travel to Billings

County's alternate, mean-

event that is looked forward to each year," Birkeland said.

tion, we could distribute food, blankets and other things."

The Madison County commissioners plan to hire a contractor to install the generator at next week's commission meeting after doing their "due diligence" in researching the bids they have received, Hart said.

"We always hope we won't have an event," Hart concluded. "But it is not prudent to assume that something will never happen. We plan as well as we can in hopes we never have to use it."

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foresees issues with changing from a five-day week, especially if "both parents are working."

Though high school teacher Jason Sillstrop did not say which schedule he preferred, he did say high school students lose out on a lot of instruction during basketball season.

"There are days we don't have a good portion of students because of basketball," Sillstrop said.

The board unanimously approved keeping a five day schedule year round but returning to school on Monday, Jan. 4, 2016, to create a "float day" that could be used during basketball season.

Football with Whitehall

The board also chose to continue the school's football co-op with Whitehall.

Before voting on the matter, Brennan asked Marilyn Buus, a football mother and teacher, if she thought the co-op was beneficial to the students.

'They went above and beyond this year," Buus said. "Whitehall has a new coach and the team even practiced here once. They value and appreciate the kids.'

Hofman said he believes the Whitehall football program has done a "wonderful" job incorporating the Harrison athletes.

Board member Dusty Wagner moved to renew the co-op with Whitehall. Board member Ann Hokanson seconded the motion and all three board members voted in favor of continuing the co-op.

School climate

The final topic on the agenda was addressing the school climate, which deals with continuing a discussion started at the Dec. 8 board meeting, Brennan said.

"(Hofman) is going to go through all the items brought up (in December) and address them," Brennan said.

During the public comment portion of the Dec. 8, 2014, board meeting, a few people in attendance brought concerns about the current administration to the board. Hofman is the only administrator at the school; he serves as superintendent and principal. One student read a list of concerns that were compiled by high school students – the issues included a lack of advanced placement class options, common classroom disruptions, disrespect for students and staff and more. Following the student report, classified and certified staff members also raised concerns that claimed discipline issues are inconsistent and staff members are asked to perform

more and more administrative duties, which were performed by the school administrators in the past, among other things.

Hofman said he met with the student council immediately following the December meeting and had a staff meeting in January to address the concerns.

"(Brennan) came in and sat down with the staff and we all went through the list," Hofman said.

Hofman addressed concerns with adequately preparing students for college.

"One teacher said they wanted more info available on the (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) so we made those arrangements," Hofman said. "That issue has pretty much been resolved."

Hofman also addressed questions about his absences.

"The last 18 months I have been gone more than normal but up until last week only 1.5 of those days were personal," Hofman said. "Remember, I am the only administrator.'

The absences have involved things like trips to the legislature, addressing student safety and driving the football bus, Hofman explained.

"I picked up a lot of duties as (athletic director)," he said. "Maybe I shouldn't have all AD duties.'

Communication is-

sues were also discussed.

"There are a lot of communication issues," he said. "We have started having a staff meeting after school on Tuesdays so we aren't crunched for time."

Hofman said he was the "first to admit" he is "pretty blunt and to the point."

"I don't sugarcoat things," he said. "I can be a smart aleck at times ... there are some things we need to continue to work on. We're not where we need to be yet but as long as we all remain willing we will get there."

Before opening the discussion up for public comment, Brennan reminded the public that the board would enter into executive session if any of the comments infringed on the rights to privacy of another.

One parent asked if the issues the students brought up in January have been address.

Brennan said communication is "obviously an issue" in the school but that Hofman said he did meet with students to work things out.

"There really haven't been issues with students," Hofman said.

The teachers in attendance said they had a letter to read to the board but that the meeting needed to be in executive session first. Brennan called for an executive session and the public was asked to leave the meeting.

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bers voted on the name change, Virginia City historic preservation officer Jeff MacDonald asked if the name was the only thing that would change, or if ownership of the park would shift hands.

"This is just a name change," Erdall said. "I am hoping the tribe will put up a plaque, though."

The council members voted unanimously to change the name of North Park to Tendoy Park.

Erdall said the tribal members discussed having an interpretive center at the park in the future.

"They even mentioned a historical walking tour in the future," he said. "This could eventually be a big thing for the town – something that would keep visitors here longer."

Dark skies

The town of Virginia City first started discussing implementing a dark skies ordinance around eight months ago, Erdall said.

'Everything has really taken off in the last couple months," he added. At the town council meet-

ing, Erdall said he has recently been looking at similar dark skies ordinances from Whitefish and Ketchum, Idaho, to get an idea of what type of ordinance will work for Virginia City.

"We just want the lights to point down," Erdall said. "We don't want the light to diffuse up and sideways."

Erdall also said the power company agreed to work up a proposal estimating what it would cost to change out whatever lights would not meet dark skies standards.

Council member Scott Peterson said the discussion with the power company is "real progress." "At first they were not

interested in the idea at all," Peterson said. MacDonald pointed out an ordinance like this

will be especially important in the near future. "With large projects

and taller buildings popping up, we want downward facing lights," he said. Erdall agreed with

MacDonald.

'We would like to get rid of the light pollution," Erdall said. "We want people to be able to have telescopes in their backyards and enjoy the skies."

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The numbers are less variable in the Madison River Basin.

"The Madison River Basin currently has the lowest percentage of normal snowpack of all the major river basins in Southwest Montana," according to the report. "February was characterized by periods of cool and unsettled weather, followed by warm and dry conditions during high pressure periods."

As a whole, the snowpack of the Madison River Basin is currently 80 percent of normal with a net loss of 3 percent over the month of February, which is 71 percent of the snowpack at this time last year. Last year at this time the basin was 101 percent of average.

The basin-wide average April-July streamflow forecast for the Madison River is currently at 76 percent of average and 79 of last year, the report states.

Dan Doornbos is the president of the Ruby River Water Users Association. The association contracts the management of the dam and the Ruby Reservoir from the DNRC and handles maintaining minimum flow in the Ruby River and dispensing water to nearly 100 users with water rights in the Ruby Valley.

Doornbos said he receives monthly updates from the NRCS.

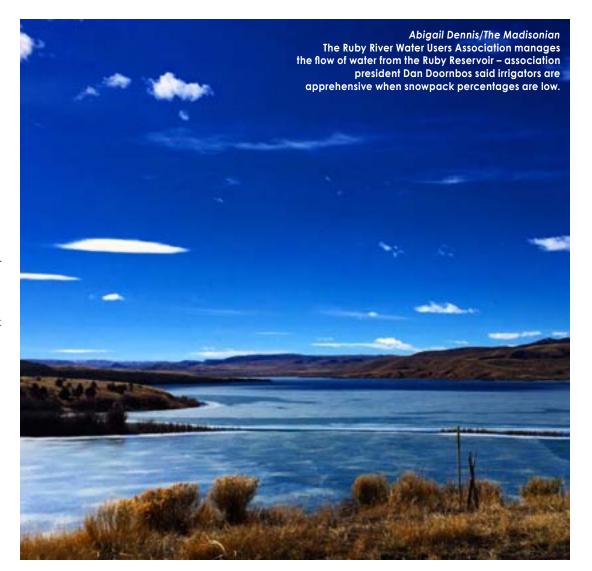
"It helps us monitor and see where we are," he said. "Our reservoir is actually above average right now."

The Ruby Reservoir is above average because the association anticipated a below average snowpack and adapted the flow from the dam accordingly, Doornbos said.

"It's been warm so our inflows have actually been higher than usual," he said. "However, that won't help sustain the flow."

Doornbos said the water users have reduced water allotments in the past, but that is not what they want to do.

'It's something we can do," he said. "Anytime there is a below normal snowpack, there is a little apprehension."



MORE NEWS:

ALL THE WAY TO WESTMINSTER

McAllister dog/owner duo win Best of Opposite Sex at the Westminster Kennel Club Show

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Julie Gritten and her dog CH CC's Angel Eyes - who goes by China around the house – traveled to New York City in February for the Westminster Kennel Club Show, the most prestigious dog show in the United States.

China is a Cesky Terrier. Ceskys are a rare breed - the American Kennel Club first recognized them only four years ago, Gritten said.

At Westminster, China was named the best of opposite sex, meaning she was the best female Cesky Terrier that showed.

"We just missed best of breed by a hair," Gritten said. "I just cried though because I was so happy."

Gritten moved to McAllister from New York State July of last year, though the move was not her first time to Montana. Gritten worked in education and had summers free so she spent

them in Southwest Montana. "I used to go to Bozeman, but it just got too big," she said, explaining how she ended up in the Madison Valley.

Gritten first tried out the world of dog shows around 15 years ago.

"I started with Scottish Terriers and then I feel in love with this breed," she said about Cesky Terriers. "It's a very competitive field when you reach a high level ... it's a privilege for someone like me who is an owner/handler to qualify for the most prestigious events. Many of the dogs are sponsored by very wealthy people." Gritten first started

showing by chance. "I got a (Scottish Terrier) from a beautiful bloodline and I just thought, 'heck, let's try this'," she said. "I got

sucked in just by chance." China is Gritten's fifth show dog and she is only 18 months old - Gritten said it is uncommon for a dog so young to show. Throughout the year, China and Gritten racked up points at shows across the United States to qualify for Westminster.

This was the first time I qualified so I was scared," she said. "But I knew I wanted to do it."

The Westminster Kennel Club Show is a benched show, meaning competitors spend the whole day there – they show, but they are also on hand to represent the breed because the day is educational for anyone who attends.

Dogs are judged on multiple criteria from their conformation to the texture of their coat, to their teeth and walk. Gritten said grooming plays a big part of the judging – during shows, China is bathed daily and Gritten spends extensive time grooming her.

The whole Westminster weekend was exciting, Gritten said. "We got to take time tour-

Photo by Ashby Photography CH CC's Angel Eye receives the award for Best of Opposite Sex at The Westminster Kennel Club Show.

ing the city," she said. "We were right on Madison Square Garden and all the restaurants around there had treats and food for the dogs too."

More than the show If China did not enjoy dog shows, Gritten said they would not participate.

"I wouldn't do that to any dog," she said. "If she's not happy I won't show her." China is smart and well behaved, but also a

"She stalks the other dogs at home," she said. "We have to push our chairs in or she'll even get on the table. She is so agile and so spry. She is very intelligent – quite the thinker. She is smart enough to know what is allowed and what isn't."



BATTLE OF THE BANDS

Honor Band in Southwest Montana



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Basketball tournaments have been in full swing the with all of Montana's finest teams competing for their place at the top of the bracket. Cheerleaders line the edges of the court and crowds pile into the bleachers, but what is often disregarded is the background music to tournament life - band.

March is battle of the bands month. Last Monday, March 2, the Honor Band of Southwest Montana gathered in Sheridan to showcase its best and brightest instrumen-

Kjersten Sandru/The Madisonian

a rigorous day of rehearsal and practice.

talists. From 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., the band of 56 students rehearsed five complex musical pieces under the direction of Dr. Kevin Griggs, the director of the Marching Grizzly Band, Pep Band and Concert Band of the University of Montana. The student musicians had eight hours to learn the music well enough to perform a concert in the Sheridan High School gym that evening.

"The progress from the first scale to the concert is remarkable," said Craig Ballou, Twin Bridges music director. "(The concert was) one of the most educational displays of the year; an experience you don't get in a small band."

Participating students were from Butte, Ennis, Harrison, Granite, Three Forks, Twin Bridges, Whitehall and Sheridan. Carla Wisler, Sheridan music director, organized and hosted the event. All participants were chosen by their high school's band director.

the group was Seven Nation Army, which most of the students had played in their schools' pep bands.

The favorite song among

Twin Bridges senior, Dusty Keim has been a member of band since fifth grade.

"My favorite part of Honor Band is getting to meet all the other people that enjoy band, and also getting to work with a different conductor with a new perspective," Keim said.

WRESTLING SUPERSTARS





The entire Honor Band performs at Sheridan following



Little guy wrestling in Madison County

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On March 7, 4 through 12-year-olds gathered in Twin Bridges for a little guy wrestling tournament. On March 14 at 10 a.m., the divisional tournament for the athletes will be in Ennis.

Shawn Christensen is one of the Ennis coaches. Christensen said wrestling is a valuable program.

"Our biggest thing with the small kids is teaching them self discipline and sportsmanship," Christensen said. "This sport is both an individual thing and a team thing."

Christensen said the young athletes practice as a team but at tournament time they must work hard as individuals – skills that benefit them in the future.

"It's a sport that builds self confidence," he added. "Starting off with the little guys is important because they learn great ethics and applicable values."

Taking a look at the CSKT Water Compact

By Rep. Ray Shaw House District 71

I have gone to several meetings and have done a lot of reading and it seems to defy common sense not to support the CSKT Water Compact, which is a collaborative agreement. It solves many potential problems and gives the water users in the compact basins real relief and options compared to individually taking on the government and Tribe as individuals in the adjudication business, not to mention making available storage from other sources and repair of a dilapidated irrigation system. This is how the

compact will affect water users in Madison and Beaverhead counties. As you are probably aware, if

the compact is not passed, the Tribe and federal government will file all their water claims by June 30, 2015. This will include all claims in the compact basins along with aboriginal instream flows in many streams and rivers east of the divide. This would include the rivers in Madison and Beaverhead counties. The Tribe's legal staff certainly has these fillings in order and they have biologists that will determine the instream flows necessary to maintain their historical fisheries. You can bet the Montana Fish and Game will

contribute to the pot to insure adequate flows are claimed in behalf of the Tribe and Montana sportsmen. The priority for these flows is 1855 and trumps every water right in the state. You can also bet your last dollar that every instream flow advocate in the state and nation will be backing and participating with the Tribe. The federal government will be looking out for itself. This could have huge implications in regard to providing flows for species that may be petitioned to be listed by extreme groups to take water off the land and put it back in the rivers (appeal of the grayling delisting). In the Montana Supreme

Court case 2011 MT 151 (Montana Trout Unlimited vs Beaverhead Water Company, Garrison Ranches, Inc., Paul H. Cleary Jr, Hairpin LC, Spenco LLC) the court ruled that an interested party could participate in water right litigation without water right ownership. This opens up these instream flow filings to anyone who could demonstrate an interest. Supporters of the Tribes aboriginal instream flow rights will be very supportive and have the legal right to participate.

When the Tribe files these rights in all the Montana rivers they can prove historical fishing rights on, it will be up to the individual water

right holders to defend the water rights that they adjudicated under the current Montana adjudication process and object to the Tribe's filings. The burden of proof of whether or not the Indians had historical use and the amount of water needed to maintain their historical fisheries will be up to the individual water right holders as objectors. This process may take decades to complete and will cost the state and individual water right holders millions of dollars, delaying the completion of Montana's court decreed claims that are essential to guard our water use from downstream interest and the federal

government. Montana cannot afford this delay. I have already spent 35 years of my life adjudicating our water on the Big Hole River. The decree is getting into the final stages and opening it up again for decades is not something we want to do as a result of compact failure. The amenities offered to the compact participants will never be attainable again. We must not let our egos and greed temper our common sense into thinking that compact failure and decades of litigation, expense and uncertainty is better than a collaborative agreement that benefits all parties. Litigating these issues would be absurd.

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Shirley Ann Badura August 29, 1942 - March 6, 2015

in Kansas City and at Burlington Manufacturing. She finished ceramics school and had her home in Kansas City featured in the Better Homes and Garden Magazine while raising three young boys. Shirley and her family moved to Billings in 1971, where she opened her own ceramic shop. She was especially skilled in handmade Porcelain Dolls. She was a phenomenal seamstress and painter and leaves Shirley Ann Badura (Slavbehind priceless works of art and craftsmanship. Shirley mother, friend and loving soul and Martin ran the Stockman went to be with her eternal fa-Bar in Bridger through the ther on March 6, 2015. Shirley 1970s before building their was born in Cleveland, Ohio, homestead and residence in Ennis. Shirley took so much child of John and Becky Slavpride in her home, landscape, ish. She graduated from Belgarden and her family. She fry High School in 1960. She had the magical touch to married her loving husband make things grow even in the of 54 years at Sacred Heart worst soil. She loved grow-Catholic Church in Bridger, ing her tomato plants and had an unprecedented passion Shirley was an army wife for nourishing and growing and worked as a secretary in

the most beautiful flowers. For the past 16 years Shir-

ley, with the help of Martin, loyally ran a rural mail route in Ennis. Shirley enjoyed delivering packages and the many letters for all her customers on her route. She was quite the organizer and planner and enjoyed hosting family functions. She especially loved the Fourth of July in Ennis and making the "infamous Shirley's ribs!" Christmas was her favorite holiday and for those who were fortunate enough to see her home during Christmas, it was truly a winter wonderland.

She was especially proud to be a grandma and her grandkids meant the world to her. Her family was her life and there was not anything she would not have done or sacrificed for them.

The Lord has welcomed our beautiful angel and his kingdom will have the most breathtaking flower garden in heaven. We love you so much and will keep you in our hearts and memories

forever. Rest in peace.

Shirley is survived by her loving husband Martin; sons Tom, Kevin, Steven and Brent Badura; and daughter Susan Haskins (Brian); granddaughter Chloe Schummer; grandson Andrew Badura. She is preceded in death by her parents John and Becky Slavish.

Shirley has received the last rites of the Roman Catholic Church. A rosary and visitation will be held at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Ennis on Thursday March 12 at 7 p.m. A Friday mass at 11 a.m. with a lunch to follow at St. Patrick's Church. Funeral Service will be held on Saturday March 14 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Bridger and burial service to follow at Belfry Cemetery. There will be a luncheon afterwards at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Flowers and condolences can be sent to either St. Patrick's or Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

John "Jack" Carl Held December 2, 1926 - March 5, 2015



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on Aug. 29, 1942, the only

Mont., on Sept. 3, 1960.

the Missouri State Legislature

Thursday morning, March , 2015, John "Jack" Carl Held was called to heaven. Born Dec. 2, 1926, Jack

was the youngest son born to Frank and Annie Mae (Wing) Held at their ranch in Waterloo. He attended school there and in 1944 he joined the military. Upon returning, he and Joyce Atkinson married on Sept. 25, 1949, at the Grace Methodist Church in Butte. Together they spent 65 beautiful years in marriage. They have two daughters, Linda and Paulette.

Jack was an underground contract miner for 18 years, a meat cutter at Safeway stores and also owned and

operated his farm. Jack was a hard worker, a loyal and true friend. He was known for his bright eyes and big smile. His girls were his pride and joy, as were his granddaughters and great grandchildren. Jack is survived by his

wife Joyce; daughters and sons in law Linda and Ron Schott, and Paulette and Don Buhl; four granddaughters and their husbands Dulcie and David Clark, Shelbie and Guy Croy, Aleisha and Christien Colvin and Jackie and Scott Gingras;

12 great grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Memorial services were held Tuesday, March 10, at 11 a.m. from the Trinity United Methodist Church at Whitehall with Rev. Dave Greep officiating. A reception at the Methodist Fellowship Hall followed services.

Memorials may be made to the Rocky Mountain Hospice of Butte or the Whitehall Senior Center.

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Scholarships from Ruby Valley National Bank

Submitted by Karen Town Ruby Valley National Bank

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• The parents or the student themselves are a customer in good standing with the Ruby Valley National Bank for the previous two years prior to scholarship application.

• The student has demonstrated good citizenship by active participation in school, church and/or community organizations.

• The student has maintained a 2.5 GPA.

Applications are available at the Twin Bridges and Sheridan Bank locations or on our website at www.rubyvallevbank.com. The bank has awarded over \$32,600 to 47 area students since 2003.

Our recipients last year were Kristen Ashcraft, Bailey Escott, Lauren Mehlhoff, Kate Rasmussen, Abby Williams and Brant Marsh.

Applications must be postmarked or delivered to either branch of the Ruby Valley National Bank by May 1, 2015. The scholarship recipients will be announced by May 14, 2015.

64th Legislature is halfway complete

By Sen. Debby Barrett SENATE DISTRICT 36

Montana's 64th legislative session has reached the halfway mark, and with the first 45 days in the books, there has been much accomplished by our citizen legislature that I believe all Montanans can be proud of.

At the top of that list is the tone of this session, which has been far different from those in recent past, with cooperation and civility far more common than adversarial bicker-

ing. Although there have been some moments of tensions and disagreement, I am very proud of the manner in which the entire body conducted itself through the first 45 days.

There were several significant policy accomplishments in the first half of the session that I am also very proud of. Among those accomplishments are early approval of K-12 funding, the advancement of several long-overdue proposals to improve mental health treatment in Montana, approval by the Senate of a proposal to improve and simply the state's tax code and perhaps most importantly, reforms to the Office of Political Practices that aim to remove partisanship from the administration of our campaign laws.

Over the next two months, the legislature will be hard at work completing the people's business of improving life in our state. Our agenda for the remainder of the session includes - among many other things – finalizing the state's

budget, vetting and confirming the governor's appointments to various boards, reforming our state's healthcare system to ensure quality care and long term stability and passing policies that promote a strong business climate.

We have a lot of work ahead of us over the next 40 days, and I'm sure there will some moments of disagreement. But I'm confident that we will leave here in late April having improved life in our state for all Montanans.

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Submitted by Nondi Harrington From left: Paul Babb, director of Northwestern Energy's charitable giving program, presents a \$1,000 grant to Ron Nye, Twin Bridges Senior and Community Center board president and Madison County commissioner last week. The funds will go to phase III of the project – purchasing fixtures, furniture and equipment. The group's \$545,868 goal for phase II was met on Dec. 31, 2014, thanks to the generosity of our community members,

foundations, corporations, service

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- Photos must be horizontal orientation (not portrait).
- Format must be 35 mm slides or HIGH resolution TIFF images submitted digitally on CD. Digital prints must be high enough resolution to print 300 dpi when enlarged to a 12 x 8" print.
- We are looking for a variety of seasonal photos.
- Location of where the photo was taken must be included.
- Names need to be written on submitted slides or CDs.
- Submissions should include a self-addressed stamped envelope for return.
- Contest is open to anyone.
- There is no limit on the number of photos you can submit, but please only submit your best.

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For questions, please contact the MVRG Weed Committee at 682-3731 orWeedcommittee@madisonvalleyranchlands.org

Please send slides or digital photos with necessary information and a self-addressed stamped envelope to: MVRG WEED COMMITTEE, P.O. BOX 330, ENNIS, MT 59729

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Sara Johnson

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Madison County reports property sales year round and this winter has been especially good so far; however, there is often a significant increase in real estate traffic when the tourists arrive in the summer. As a result, many property owners wait until summer to put their properties on the market. But there a couple things you might consider as you plan your timing.

First, while there may be fewer buyers in the winter and the early spring months, they are often stronger buyers. If a buyer is willing to come look at property during the coldest months of the year, they are usually more dedicated to purchasing property in Montana. And while it isn't fun to move in the dead of winter, you might actually receive a higher price for your property than you would in the summer months when there are more properties on the market and higher competition.

In addition, offices often work months ahead to plan their marketing campaigns, especially the larger campaigns for the summer months. Therefore, to be included in summer publications and advertisements, you need to get your property on the market much earlier than you might expect. Real estate agents are under strict rules with regard to advertising, and can only advertise properties that have active contracts with their companies. So to get your property

included in the summer ads, you often have to have an active signed listing agreement in place by the end of March.

If you're thinking of selling, this is a great time of year to interview agents about what your property is worth, how they will market your property and position you in the market for success, and how much competition your property will have. It gives you time to get your property ready for showings, and your agent time to include you in a full marketing campaign before the arrival of the highest concentration of buyers.







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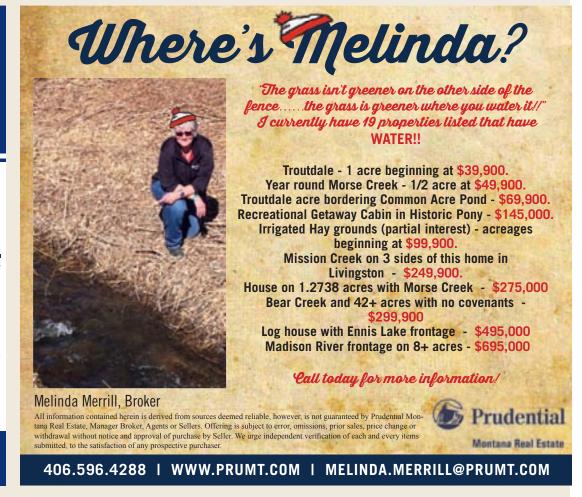


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BE FIT - Sheridan FCCLA activities

Submitted by Aislinn Deavel and Mox Lee
SHERIDAN FCCLA

Moxon Lee, Isaac Bendon and Aislinn Deavel of the Sheridan FCCLA chapter conducted a Student Body project called Be Fit. The project had three parts: be fit, eat right and make healthy choices. To teach and inform other people about this issue they went into the third-grade at Sheridan Elementary School. They felt that this class has the potential to do all these things right. Their goal was to teach these kids the importance of eating healthy, exercis-

ing regularly and making healthy choices.

They went into the third-grade class-

They went into the third-grade classroom to teach three lessons and conduct
three activities. The first lesson they taught
them how much physical activity you need
a day, the positive side effects of being
physically fit and the negative side effects
of not being physically fit. The activity
they did for this lesson was paper basketball, which taught them how being physical fit can be fun as well as beneficial. For
the second lesson they taught them how
eating a variety of food is healthy for you
and the different food groups in the food

pyramid. They also taught them how it is healthy to eat regularly. The activity they did for this lesson was letting them come up and draw a food pyramid on the board while they gave them healthy snacks and told them what food groups the snacks fit in. For the third lesson they taught them about making healthy choices such as avoid being around smokers and getting to bed at a healthy time and having a limit on how long you play video games a day. The activity they did for this lesson was having them prepare and present a skit on a healthy choice and an unhealthy choice.

Mountain View Chapel welcomes new pastor

Submitted by Jim Fordyce *MOUNTAIN VIEW CHAPEL*

Rev. Joshua McNeal has been named pastor of Mountain View Chapel, 515 N. Main St. in Twin Bridges.

The members approved McNeal after a pastoral search of two and a half years. Scott Morningstar, dean of students of Montana Bible College in Bozeman, was interim during that time. Mountain View Chapel and McNeal were introduced by the Rocky Mountain Bible Mission of Missoula where McNeal was a

missionary since July of 2014 McNeal spent nine years

at Frenchtown Community Church, in Frenchtown, Mont., as a worship leader after earning his bachelor's degree in Biblical Studies from Frontier School of the Bible in La-Grange, Wyo. During those years in Frenchtown he also served as youth pastor, Sunday school teacher, elder, librarian, VBS coordinator and pulpit supply. He has been a key speaker for several Bible camps, retreats and services.

Also during those nine years, he worked at Missoula's

Christian bookstore called the Garden of Read'n. As assistant manager, he trained employees, ordered and managed stock and served customers in the areas of books, music and gifts. He even was a barista for the store's in house coffee bar.

McNeal loves writing and published his first novel, "At the Corner of 6th and North," in June of 2011. He hopes more novels will be in the future, but in the meantime, blogs regularly at www.joshuajmcneal.com.

McNeal met his wife, Danielle, in Wyoming. She is a native of Mars Hill, Maine, but loved

the stories of the west and ventured out immediately after high school. They have two boys, Regan and Myles, five and four years old respectively, and another son due to arrive in April.

Mountain View Chapel, nestled in the beautiful Ruby Valley, strives to know God and make Him known. In pristine fly-fishing country, they long to disciple others to be fishers of men.

Additional information about Mountain View Chapel can be found at: www. mtnviewchapel.com.



Ennis senior receives President's Volunteer Service Award

Submitted by Jon Wrzesinski

Ennis Schools

Wylie Leo, a student at Ennis High School, has been honored for his exemplary volunteer service with a President's Volunteer Service Award.

The award, which recog-

nizes Americans of all ages who have volunteered significant amounts of their time to serve their communities and their country, was granted by The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program on behalf of President Barack Obama. Ennis High School

nominated Leo for national honors this fall in recognition of his volunteer service.

The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards, sponsored by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals, recognizes middle level and high school students across America for outstanding volunteer service.

"The recipients of these awards demonstrate that young people across America are making remarkable contributions to the health and vitality of their communities," said John Strangfeld, chairman and CEO of Prudential Financial. "By recognizing these students and placing a spotlight on their volunteer activities, we hope to motivate others to consider how they can also contribute to their community."

"Demonstrating civic

responsibility through volunteerism is an important part of life," said NASSP Executive Director JoAnn Bartoletti. "These honorees practice a lesson we hope all young people, as well as adults, will emulate."

TRMCC enjoys February

Submitted by Roseann Troyer
TOBACCO ROOT
MOUNTAINS CARE CENTER

February flew by – here and gone. It is amazing that two months are gone of 2015. We started our February with a well-attended resident council meeting on Feb. 3. Discussed were movies, upcoming bus trips and the making and painting of birdhouses. After our productive meeting the activities department served ice cream to all the residents.

Cloggers arrived on Feb. 5. They are so energetic and

entertaining. Our morning just zipped by. An afternoon movie with tasty treats was the way we spent Friday Feb. 6. The monthly birthday party was hosted by Dayspring Mission on Feb. 12. Three residents have February birthdays: Matt Stiles, Casey Kerns and Donna Crump.

The next afternoon, Boots and Friends from Dillon set up in our day room and filled our care center with old-fashioned country western music. The kind of music most of our residents know word for word. Everyone enjoyed the relaxing environment.

They had such a good time they promised to come back.

Ashes were distributed to anyone that wanted them on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 18, along with a wonderful church service.

On Feb. 19 we had a very lively Valentine's Day party, fueled by the music of the Ruby Valley Boys and Barb and raspberry filled sugar cookies. Gene and Maxine Byler were elected King and Queen of Hearts. They have enjoyed each other's company for more than 66 years. Their daughter Ginger drove over from Whitehall to share their special afternoon.

Our van was on the road on Feb. 20 the destination was the A&W in Whitehall.

Heavenly aromas swirled in our care center as activities baked homemade bread. The residents said it was the best bread ever. There is nothing better, especially after we added real butter and honey to the still warm slices.

On Feb. 27, you could find us munching on warm cheese pizza, sipping red beers and enjoying old T.V. westerns such as The Cisco Kid with his sidekick Poncho. It was a perfect way to end the day.





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Local businesses have the information you need to make a variety of decisions. Best of all, they are here and available to meet your needs. In our "Ask the Experts" section, we went to these local experts for information on topics important to you.

us at editor@madisoniannews.com

Ask the Expert forum appears the second Thursday of each month. If you have questions for these area professionals e-mail

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I have a full time job. My husband has a job. When I come home from work, it's still my job to come up with supper. My choices are cook, take-out pizza or burgers and fries. Some times I don't like any of those choices. What shall I do?

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cold, look for untreated cedar or pine. Many houses have inappropriate hole sizes for the intended birds which makes it easier for bigger birds and predators to get in. If the wood inside is too smooth below the entry, young birds often cannot get enough traction they need to get out. Many people like the look of a house with a perch, but birds don't need those and they often invite unwanted predators. Pay attention to a reference chart when trying to find the right house for the bird you want to nest. It will tell you floor size, height, entrance hole diameter, mounting height, and habitat placement.

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GENERAL HEALTH

Why am I getting dizzy spells and what can I do about it? Lately it feels like the room spins when I get out of bed, bend over to put on my shoes, or even sometimes with simply turning my

There are many underlying causes A: There are many underly of dizziness. Vertigo is a type of dizziness characterized as the perception of motion and/or the environment spinning

restibular system in the inner ear called Benign Paroxysmal Positional Vertigo (BPPV). With BPPV, small crystals in the inner ear are displaced sending your brain a message that you are moving when you really are not; hence the vertigo. With BPPV, vertigo is triggered with positional changes; moving from a lying position to sitting up, for example. Dizziness/vertigo may be mild, severe, or even debilitating and may be accompanied by nausea. Symptoms usually last 30 seconds to a couple of minutes in most cases of BPPV, sometimes more. The good news is that BPPV can be treated by physical therapy. In fact, true BPPV can be completely resolved within 1 or 2 visits to a physical therapist.

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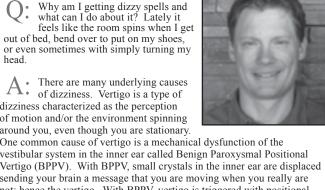






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An owl peeks through the trees in the Madison Valley.

HAPPY 90TH

Pictured is Del Hartford at his 90th birthday party with his daughters, Mary Birdsill and Roseann Troyer. It was a very noisy, happy gathering of family and friends on Feb. 22, 2015. Notice the railroad cake matches his Northern Pacific belt buckle!

Sheridan students of the month

Submitted by Sheridan Schools

Sheridan Schools is very pleased to announce the February students of the month. Students are chosen by faculty and staff members based on the following criteria: citizenship, leadership and academic attitude.

Kindergarten – Aden Miller
First-grade – Haze Hardy
Second-grade – Addy Robison
Third-grade – Ecclesiaste Puckett
Fourth-grade – Bella Wright
Fifth-grade – Faith Larsen
Sixth-grade – Luke Dvorak
Seventh-grade – Micara Devereaux
Eighth-grade – Joree Hikanson
Ninth-grade – Isaiah Galiger
10th-grade – Charlie Bailey
11th-grade – Dylan Anderson
12th-grade – Charlie Smart



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MADISON COUNTY WEATHER

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Friday



Partly cloudy. Highs 50 to 60.

Saturday



Partly cloudy. Highs 50 to 60.

Sunday



Mostly cloudy with a chance of rain and snow showers. Lows 30 to 40. Chance of precipitation 30 percent.

Monday



Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of rain showers. Highs 45 to 55.

Quote of the Week:

"I wanna have friends that I can trust, that love me for the man I've become and not the man that I was."

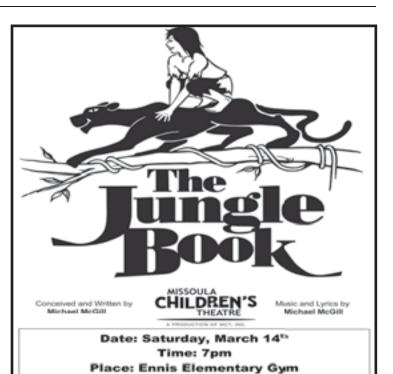
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BARON

Say howdy there! My name's Baron. No, I'm not all hoity-toity, I'm really a down to earth nice guy. I like to play, be petted, hang around in my hammock, you know, all the neat stuff. Been to see the vet (he's a nice man), but he did what needed to be done (no kids from me!), so I'm all ready to go. Got all my shots, been dewormed, gosh

and they feed me good here also, so I'm looking really spiffy and shiny! So can you give me a call (either Misty: 439-1405 or Afton: 287-3613) and adopt me? I'm waiting for ya, Baron

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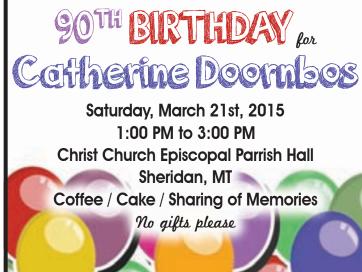


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CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT:

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Kailee Oliverson finds driving room.

Cassie Williams drives the lane.

Julia Cox and Raeann Bendon trap a Badger.

Kailee Oliverson throws up a block.



Lady Falcons' season ends at loser-out semifinals

Kurtis Koenig
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Twin Bridges ended an exciting season with an impressive 23-5 record; their final two losses came at the state tournament in Missoula last weekend.

The Lady Falcons started out with a win, however.

The Park City Panthers drew the Lady Falcons in the first round of the tournament. The young Panthers kept pace with the Falcons in the first quarter and managed a slim lead at the end of the first.

Park City looked nearly unbeatable in the opening half as they capitalized on 52 percent of their shots from the field and tallied four for eight from behind the big arc. The strong shooting of the Panthers allowed them to pull ahead by nine as they went to the locker room with a 33-24 lead over Twin Bridges.

Things looked bleak for the Lady Falcons in the third quarter. Though they were able to get a few decent looks at the basket, they managed only 2-15 from the field, while the Falcon defense began to stifle the youthful Panthers.

Though the Panthers still held a nine-point lead, the Lady Falcons began to click in the fourth quarter. Park City scored a quick five points to take a 14-point lead, but then it was all Twin Bridges.

The Lady Falcons went on a 20-2 run which included an

8-11 performance from the charity stripe in the fourth quarter. Seven Falcons found the net in the final period as Twin Bridges overcame the Panthers and advanced to the semifinal round. Cassidy Wetzel led her Falcons with 15 points and completed a double-double with 11 boards.

Kailee Oliverson put down eight points and 12 rebounds in the win.

"This was the first time Park City has been here," said head coach Rob Lott. "We caught them with the 'deer in the headlights' look and stole the win."

The same would not be true of Saco.

"I'm proud to be from 11-12 C. The coaching is incredible and the teams are balanced." -Falcon coach Rob Lott

The semifinals

"We played pretty well,"
Lott said about the loss to
Saco-Whitewater-Hinsdale.
"We had the comeback
coming along. (SWH) is
a veteran team, and they
just weren't going to let
us get away with it."

The Lady Falcons stumbled against SWH in the semifinals.
SWH scored 27 points off of Falcon turnovers

and Twin Bridges shot a dismal 26 percent from the field in the game.

The Lady Falcons found themselves down seven points at the end of the first quarter. SWH doubled up the Falcons in the second quarter and enjoyed a 30-15 lead going into the break.

"We got into a hurry on offense," Lott said of the first half. "We didn't go for the jugular at the get go. Went out there and tried not to lose instead of trying to win."

In the third period, Twin Bridges found their footing and managed to keep pace with SWH, but they were unable to chisel away at their deficit.

That is, until the

final period.

The Lady Falcons gained ground in the fourth quarter thanks to Raeanne Bendon and Audrey George's combined 12 points. As the quarter came to a close, the Falcons did not have enough time to close in on SWH and would be forced to the loser-out semifinal.

"Our youth showed a little bit," noted Lott, "but, all the same, the freshmen played tough and the sophomores showed up."

Bendon, a freshman point guard, came off the bench to score 12 points to lead the Lady Falcons. Oliverson, another freshman, popped in eight buckets. Sophomore classmates Mara Johnson and George combined for 11 points as well.

The Lady Falcons would have to go into the dreaded loser-out semifinal without the key leadership and inside play of veteran Jessica George. J. George, a junior, injured her knee and ankle on Thursday and was unable to suit up in what would be the Lady Falcons' final game.

"Injuries affected us," said Lott. "Losing Mady (Beagley) toward the end of the season, losing (George) here. It takes a toll. It can be mentally brutal."

The loss of those two upperclassmen forced the Falcons to play with only two seniors and two juniors in the loser-out semifinal game of the state tournament, Lott said.

The final game

The young Falcons found themselves down by four against Cascade at the conclusion of the first quarter. Though Twin Bridges certainly owned the height advantage, Cascade's quickness proved to be devastating.

Lott noted that his Falcons never lacked in effort, they just could not find that "extra step."

Twin Bridges shot nearly twice as many times as the Badgers in the first half, but Cascade's 40 percent success rate from the field earned them a 10-point lead at the half.

The swarming Badger defense made it difficult for the Falcons to work the ball into Oliverson and the Twin Bridges guards found it difficult to strike from the perimeter.

It was a 13-point game with three minutes remaining in the third quarter. The Falcon press forced a few turnovers, which they converted to points. Twin Bridges cut their deficit to only four points at the conclusion of the third period.

The comeback-minded Falcons utilized aggressive defense to claw back into the game, but poor shooting made the comeback more difficult.

Bendon picked a pocket and raced the length of the court with 5:40 remaining to bring her Falcons to within two points, but Cascade's solid free throw shooting allowed them to remain in the lead.

But the Falcons would not go quietly, a concept that does not surprise Lott.

"For some reason we play better when we get behind," he said. "We get that sense of urgency."

With two minutes remaining, A. George put down a pair of freebies to make it a four-point game again and the young Falcons were showing signs of a renewed comeback.

The Badgers would then go on a 6-0 run, which took only 23 seconds. The damage would be enough and the Lady Falcons would be eliminated from the tournament by a score of 51-43.

Lott would take a small win from the loss.

"There are lots of good teams here," he said. "We competed fairly well and we improved here. It is a great experience to be here and to

play (this) caliber of teams."
Lott was quick to credit
the teams in 11-12 C for
his team's meteoric rise
to the state tournament.

"I'm proud to be from 11-12 C," he said. "The coaching is incredible and the teams are balanced ... Gardiner came out of district in fourth place and they played for (and won) the state championship. We played with everybody here, Harrison could have played with everybody here, and the Ennis girls were just a couple of breaks from being here."

After the loss, Lott already started thinking about the future of his youthful team.

"Our senior leadership was great," he noted, referring to Julia Cox and Paige Phillips. "And the freshman and sophomores have a pretty good skill set ... It isn't easy (being a solid basketball player) – if it was easy, everybody would do it. I wish I could have bottled the feeling in the locker room. On May 1, I could give everybody a sip and remind them to keep on shooting."

The Falcons will return all but two players next season.

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Measles outbreak and you

By Melissa Brummel, RN Madison County Public HEALTH DEPARTMENT

It is time to take steps to prevent an outbreak of measles in our community. Recent measles outbreaks in 18 states, including several close to Montana, are a cause for concern.

Now is the time for community members to ensure their vaccinations against measles and other diseases are current. And, if not, then take steps to get them up-to-date to protect our communities, family and friends.

Measles is a serious respiratory illness caused by a virus. It generally starts with a fever followed by

a cough, runny nose, red eyes and then a rash of tiny red spots. The rash starts at the head and then spreads to the rest of the body.

Measles is highly contagious and is spread when an infected person coughs or sneezes. The virus can live on surfaces for two hours. An infected person can spread measles to others from four days before a rash through four days after. One person can infect 18 others.

Severe complications from measles include ear infections that may lead to hearing loss, pneumonia, inflammation of the brain and sometimes, although rarely, even death. About one in four unvaccinated people in the United States who get

measles will be hospitalized.

The best protection against measles is the Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR) vaccine. MMR is safe and effective against measles. The vaccine is about 97 percent effective in preventing measles after two doses.

Anyone who is unsure of their vaccination or immunity status is advised to check with their healthcare provider or local health department.

We recommend that everyone stay up to date on their vaccinations.

 Children should receive their first dose of MMR between the ages of 12 and 15 months. The second dose is usually then given

before entering school, around 4 to 6 years of age.

• Adults born in 1957 or later should have at least one dose of MMR vaccine. Adults born prior to 1957 are assumed to be immune due to natural infection.

• Health care personnel, college students and international travelers need two appropriately spaced doses, unless they have evidence of immunity.

People who have received two doses of MMR vaccine do not need a booster dose.

For more information on measles, visit dphhs.mt.gov. To review your immunity status, call Madison County Public Health Department at 843-4295.



Are you reaching for the right pain medication?

Submitted by StatePoint

The use of opioid painkillers such as Vicodin and Oxycontin is on the rise and this trend is taking its toll. Opioids account for 46 deaths each day in the United States - more than any other drug.

Is your pain medication the best option for you? Depending on the type of pain you are experiencing, and the duration of your expected treatment, the answer may be no.

"Surprisingly, opioids are not very effective pain medications, and they can also have serious side effects," said Dr. Donald Teater, M.D., medical advisor to the National Safety Council.

Acute pain includes dental pain, back pain, renal colic pain (kidney stones), sprains and fractures. What may be surprising to

some is that studies show a combination of over-thecounter acetaminophen and ibuprofen is more effective at relieving acute pain than opioids.

Not only are opioids less effective than NSAIDs (nonsteroidal antiinflammatory drug) in particular instances, but they also are associated with more serious side effects. Some lesser-known side effects of opioids include gastrointestinal bleeding (more frequently associated with NSAIDS), rapid development of addiction, changes to the brain and cognitive abilities, driving impairment, increased risk of disability and decreased sex hormones.

The elderly need to be particularly wary, as elderly adults taking opioids are at greater risk of having a cardiovascular event, have four times as many fractures than their counterparts not taking opioids and have an 87 percent greater risk of dying.

If you are prescribed an opioid pain medication, consider discussing alternatives with your doctor, particularly if you are treating acute pain. Taking the minimum dose for as short a time period as possible can help reduce your risk.

"Since opioids are often abused illicitly, it is good practice to lock your medicine cabinet and dispose of any leftover medications properly when your course of treatment is over," said Teater. "Drug take back programs are the safest, most environmentallyfriendly way to clean your medicine cabinet."

The effects of your painkiller medication may be worse than the pain you

are actually treating. Take steps to treat pain as safely and effectively as possible.



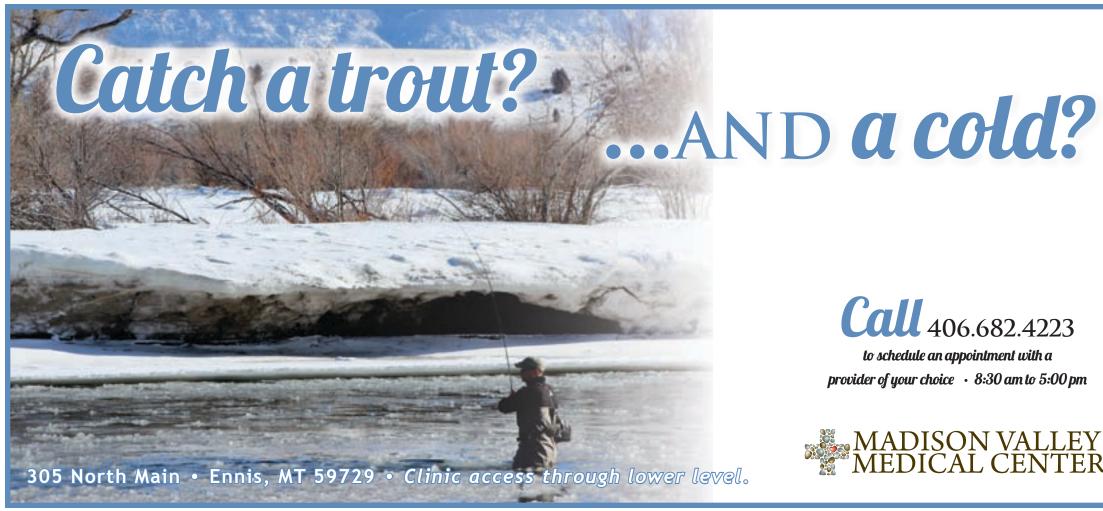
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The hairy stick

The story of an improbable discovery



Twenty winters ago, two buddies and I went crosscountry skiing

on the logging road that parallels Beaver Creek near Quake Lake. It was a pictureperfect day for skiing. So, we strapped on our equipment, mounted our skis and struck a brisk glide up country.

Despite periodically halting to admire the scenery (a.k.a. a spot of heavy breathing), we reached the road's end in about two hours and stopped to eat. There, as our sweat turned to ice, we gnawed on frozen sandwiches with chattering teeth. While thus engaged, each man reminded the others what a swell time we were having. At length, it was time to ski back to our vehicle.

After some discussion, I agreed to take the lead. Inspired by visions of a pepperoni pizza and a sudsy beverage, I soon distanced myself from my companions. While stopped to wait for them, I noticed a dark object protruding from the snow on the trail ahead. At first glance, it looked like a hairy stick. When curiosity got the best of me, I skied toward it. Astonishingly, the hairy stick turned out to be – a moose leg!

When my skiing partners arrived, I watched with amusement as they hurled their hats to the snow in bewilderment. Fortunately, our vast collective knowledge of the great outdoors soon solved the mystery before us. Having totally missed seeing them on the way up, we now shrewdly noted the nearby shattered trees and abnormal snow accumulation. Hence, we quickly deduced that a small avalanche had occurred at that spot previously. Additional intense brainstorming led us to conclude that the unfortunate beast had been caught in the white torrent and, except for one foreleg (from knee to hoof), buried. None of us had ever seen such an improbable sight. Moreover, we unanimously

agreed that the moose's manner of demise gave new meaning to the term, "having a bad day!"

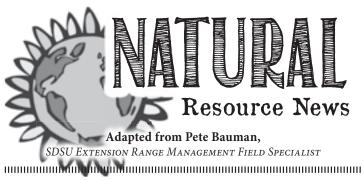
Abruptly, one man (likely as a result of oxygen deprivation due to overexertion) announced that the critter beneath us was nothing less than an enormous bull moose. Then, in further evidence of mental disarray, he proposed that we return later, dig down to the animal's head, remove the waiting trophy rack and haul it back to town.

A week later, having abandoned all semblance of good judgment, I was standing next to the hairy stick along with my fellow Nordic nuts. Upon attempting to dig, our group came to the disheartening realization that, at the bottom of an avalanche, snow compacts to a density rivaling reinforced concrete. At that moment, no doubt lesser (saner) men would have quit. Not so the tenacious trio! With a soulstirring shout of "cross-country skiers eat their wounded!" we commenced excavating.

After burrowing so deep as to require throwing snow over our heads, another grim reality was encountered. We discovered that, despite conventional wisdom, the measure between the knee and the top of an upside down buried moose's head is considerably longer than that same measure on an upright unburied moose. Finally, at the excavation's deepest point, we met with the cruelest reality of all: our prophesied, trophy-racked bull was a furry-headed cow!

From time to time I still see ny skiing companions from that day. Often, the conversation turns to our improbable discovery. In retrospect, all three of us agree that excavating the hairy stick wasn't the smartest thing we ever did. Nonetheless, true to our crosscountry skiing spirit, not one of us regrets the experience. ©Art Kehler

Art lives in Harrison, Montana. His essays, stories and poetry have been published in newspapers, journals, literary magazines, and on-line magazines.



Maximizing snow catch in your pasture or rangelands

The value of snow to your pasture and range management might not always be obvious, and for producers with yearround grazing objectives, deep snow can be a challenge. But during most years – and especially in a dry period such as this recent drought - it's fairly easy to make the argument for the value of snow.

The obvious benefit of snow is the potential for liquid water. Most sources equate roughly 10 inches of "normal" snow to about 1 inch of liquid water. The value of this water is dependent on when, where and how the snow falls. Early or late season wet snows with moderate temperatures tends

to be more available for soil infiltration than do the dry snows in the depth of winter.

When considering the value of snow in pastures, the key component is managing the vegetation to be able to capture snow. To do this one must leave some residual cover/structure in the form of standing grass. The residual vegetation and associated duff layer will improve capture of early snow, leading to the snow and vegetation forming a layer of insulation for the soils, roots, insects and microbial life that continues to function below ground. Also, if captured, these early snows may add a bit of soil moisture,

preventing the deep freezing that can occur in dryer soils that can stress root systems.

We are reminded of these points when trying to work in the various types of cover, for example, attempting to drive a t-post. Areas that are heavily grazed or hayed in the fall have no grass to capture snow. These areas are barren and hard-froze and driving a t-post is difficult. Conversely, the areas with residual duff and grass had ample snow catch and the soils are noticeably softer, making driving the post much easier. These same areas will be more accepting of early spring melt water infiltration – a valuable asset to early season grass growth.

Aside from its insulation and plant growth benefits, maximizing your snow catch can pay dividends in pasture systems dependent on wetlands, dugouts and dams for livestock water. How many pastures do we see where there has been an investment into the structure to hold water but little thought in regard to maximizing the potential for the water to make it the structure? Maximizing snow catch can add a significant amount of water to your livestock water systems.

Finally, snow can add to the overall health and diversity of life in the pasture.

Small mammals, insects and plant life benefit from the blanket snow forms. In turn, supporting this diversity adds to the health of the pasture. If you've utilized spurge beetles in your operation, you'll want to critically think about maximizing your ability to retain adequate snow cover in order to insulate your beetle larvae from deep penetrating cold. This type of management can leave more money in your pocket come June because you'll have ensured the best chance of survival of your beetle population and can limit or eliminate your spray costs.

It's too late to do much to improve your current snow catch for this year, but planning for snow catch now can help you determine when to move cattle off the range next year. If we stay dry next season, producers will need to consider the long-term impacts that their mid and late season grazing practices can have. Planning for snow catch can help you make the appropriate grazing decisions.

To learn more about overall water management and establishing grazing plans, contact Dan Durham at the NRCS office in Sheridan (842-5741) or the county extension agent Billy Whitehurst in Whitehall (490-3910).



Personally, I think it is time to scrap daylight saving time. Who likes driving to work in the dark? I had to laugh when I read an old Indian referring to daylight savings time. It read: "Only the government thinks that you can cut a foot off the top of a blanket, sew it to the bottom and it makes the blanket one foot longer." If I were the chief problem solver, daylight savings time would be gone and a time from 1 - 2 p.m. each day would be set aside for naptime. People are running on not enough sleep. Bodies need sleep, you may fool your body that it doesn't,

but it does. It isn't a waste of time, it is like a trickle charge. Good rest simply makes the world a happier place. Oh and yes, I do try to take a nap every day in my warm car. Not for a full hour but at least a half an hour and it is the best medicine I could take. As far as moving the daylight morning hour to afternoon from morning, I just hate playing God. There is something really nice about early morning sunshine hours and I feel best leaving them alone.

I had to laugh the other day – I was taking a nap in my office and just put my head on the computer screen

and fell asleep. My son came in the door and yelled, "MOM!" He woke me up for sure. He said, "What are you doing, I thought you were dead?" I told him that when you get old, you are allowed to nap anywhere you want as long as it is safe. He didn't think I was funny.

It seems like it was just Christmas time, but here we are at St. Patrick's Day very soon. My son Adam was born on St. Patrick's Day I guess if you are born that day it doesn't really matter; you are just Irish. Doctor St. John, a good Irish fellow from Butte, delivered him. Doctor St. John told me, "I promise I will be there for the delivery but then I won't see you till tomorrow morning. It's my wife, I have to take her out to celebrate you know." I still have a tiny little t-shirt the doctor gave to me for Adam that reads "BORN IRISH." It's a fun day and time for some really good food, corned beef and cabbage, fried little red potatoes, Irish beef stew and maybe a bit of green bubbly.

My nephew Rico Patacini and his lovely sweetheart Katura Sheehan are getting married this weekend. I couldn't be happier for them. Katura caught my heart the first time I met her and I

watched her with Rico's 4-year-old son Ryker. You can see her love, patience and acceptance of his child. Being a stepparent is not an easy task. You only have to look into her eyes when she talks to Ryker to know how much she loves the child. It is going to be a good day! I know there is a very happy dad in Heaven right now.

For property tax folk over the age of 65, don't forget to apply for a tax reduction on your home property tax. The form is the Property Tax Assistance Program. It has to be in April 15 to local revenue office.

So what have we learned this week? While expressing our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to just utter words, but to live by them. Life is full of give and take, take nothing for granted and give lots of thanks. The mark you leave in another's heart is always left in yours for better or worse. Whatever you do ... do it with kindness!

Congratulations to the Lady Falcons on their hard run at the state competition in Missoula.

"Ultimately, only you can say what is right for you in your life.'

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March 1

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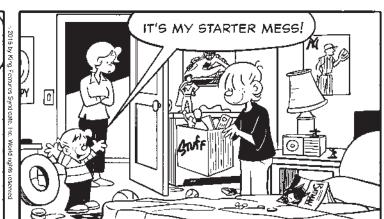
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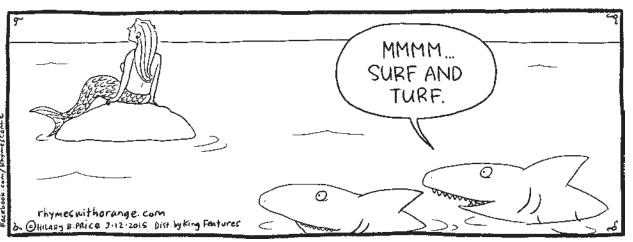




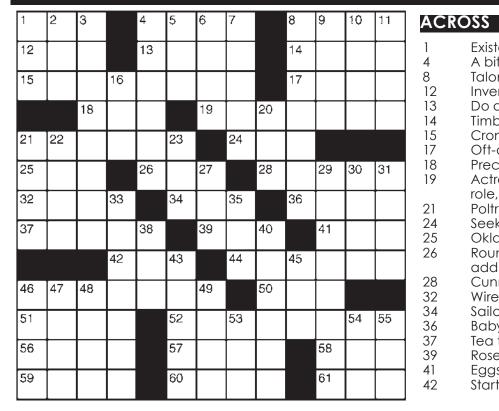


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Just a Pincl Sharing Hometown Recipes, Cooking Tips and Coupons



By Janet Tharpe

Irish Eyes Will Smile for Fried Cabbage and Corned Beef

"My family and friends love this!"



Beef is the perfect meal for St. Patrick's Day-or any day really! It's a very hearty stickto-your-ribs kind of meal. The key to this recipe is slowly simmering the cabbage. If you have leftovers, not to worry. This is delicious the next See step-by-step photos of Janette's recipe plus

thousands more from home cooks nationwide at: www.justapinch.com/cornedbeef You'll also find a meal planner, coupons and

chances to win! Enjoy and remember, use "just a pinch"...

- Janet

Fried Cabbage and Corned Beef What You Need

- 2 cans canned corned beef 2 - 4 heads of cabbage
- 1 stick butter
- 2 tbsp sugar
- 1/2 tsp salt

Sale City, GA (pop. 380)

1 tbsp black pepper 2 boxes corn muffin mix

into bite size squares.

Directions Chop both heads of cabbage

- On high heat, in a large skillet or cast iron pot, melt butter, then add cabbage. Stir to coat cabbage with butter. Add salt, pepper and sugar. Stir and mix
- seasonings in well. Lower heat to med/high, let the cabbage start to brown. You'll want it translucent and

browned (some dark bits are

- Partially cover, turn down heat by half, almost to low, let simmer, stirring occasionally to reduce burning and sticking.
- Let the cabbage simmer and brown for an hour or so (to let the water cook out).
- Push the cabbage out to the edges of the pan and put the canned corned beef in the center.
- Break up the corned beef, cover and let heat and simmer for a few minutes. • Mix cabbage and corned beef
- together and simmer on low heat while you are making the cornbread.
- Cook cornbread according to package directions.

Submitted by: Janette Suber, Sale City, GA (pop. 380) www.justapinch.com/cornedbeef

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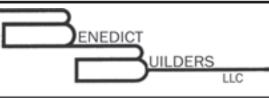
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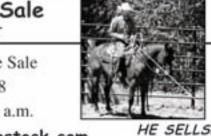
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JOB NOTICE: The Madison County Fair Board is accepting applications until March 16, 2015, at 5:00 p.m. for a crew assistant and three parttime Grounds Keeper positions at the fairgrounds in Twin Bridges, Montana. These are Short Term Positions. Applicants must be flexible and available to work with very little notice. There is no guarantee of the number of hours per month. No benefits are included with the position. Interested candidates may obtain a job description and employment application by contacting the Madison County Fair Office at (406) 684-5824, via email at mcfair@3rivers.net, or visit our website at www.madison.mt.gov. Please submit applications to the Madison County Fair, P.O. Box 414, Twin Bridges, MT 59754. Madison County is an equal opportunity employer. 19-2-b

PUBLIC WORKS POSITION **OPENING**

The Town of Ennis has a full-time position opening in the Public Works Dpt.

The position includes, but is not limited to, work in Water, Sewer, Parks and Streets.

Applications may be picked up at Ennis Town Hall during normal business hours. Applications and resumes may be dropped off at, or sent to: Ennis Town Hall/Public Works Dpt., PO Box 147, Ennis, MT. 59729.

Starting wage DOE. Applications will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. on March 31, 2015. Questions regarding the position may be directed to Kelly Elser, Director of Public Works, @ 406 682-4287. EEOC Becky Vujovich Mayor, Town of Ennis 19-4-b

The Harrison School is looking for an assistant track coach and a junior high track coach Plus a part-time tutor, 4 days per week, a.m. only. Salary TBD. To apply, contact Fred Hofman, Supt. at 685-3428 or write PO Box 7, Harrison, MT 59735. 19-2-b

Help Wanted

RL Winston Rod in Twin Bridges has two full-time positions open on the production floor. Competitive wages and benefits. Call 406-684-5674 or stop by for an appli-18-3-b

Bartenders Needed

Goldmine Lounge & Casino Send resumes to PO Box 55, Cardwell, MT 59721 or fax to (406) 287-5092. 45-tfc-b

Pit Stop Pizza is looking for part time counter help. Please call John at 406-209-4031 16-tfc-b

Local insurance agency looking for a Licensed Insurance Agent: Experience preferred/will train. Computer skills a must. 2 locations (Ennis/Sheridan). All types of insurance. Send resume to jackdaughertyinsurance@gmail.com. 18-3-b

Wireless Internet Service Provider looking to sub-contract installation/ maintenance work in the Ruby Valley area. Installation/Maintenance will include indoor & outdoor work, both residential/small businesses. Background with wireless equipment/routers/cat5 and basic networking a plus.

Requirements Must be able to lift up to 50lbs, capable of ladder/rooftop work. Sub-contractor must have reliable 4WD truck, ladders, hand tools, laptop w/Ethernet/RG45 port and proof of general liability insurance. This part-time opportunity is estimated to be 1 or 2 days/week. Compensation is per installation/ service call and includes a mileage reimbursement. 20-2-b

Madison Valley Medical Center is seeking a Per Diem Nurse

Aide – Admitting Clerk. The Nurse Aide - Admitting Clerk is responsible fulfilling the duties of a certified nursing assistant as well as fulfilling the task of admitting and registering new patients in the hospital setting. In addition, candidates should possess a solid understanding of medical terminology, good customer service skills, computer skills, phone experience, and good written/verbal communication skills. This position will adhere to all policies, procedures and regulations to ensure patient safety and compliance. Attention to detail is essential. This position requires a self-directed individual with the ability to multi-task and prioritize. A positive attitude and exceptional communication skills are key components to success for this position. To apply for this position, complete an Employment Application and submit your resume to careers@ mvmedcenter.org 19-1-b



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JOB NOTICE:

Madison County is accepting applications until filled for one custodial employee to work evenings and occasional weekends at the Courthouse and other county offices in Virginia City, Montana. Typical work days are Monday through Friday; 4-6 hours per day (may vary). Additional hours may be worked as requested by the Facilities Supervisor. The hourly wage will begin at \$13.57 with an increase after a six month probationary period.

Interested persons may request a job description and employment application by contacting the Madison County Commissioners' office at 406-843-4277, e-mail at madco@madison.mt.gov, or visit our website at www.madison. mt.gov.

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Part time substance abuse prevention specialist needed. Must reside in Madison County. Wage dependent upon experience. Some nontraditional hours and travel required. Please email resume and cover letter to Ashley Holland at swcdpprevention@aol.com. 20-2-b

SEASONAL CUSTODIAL POSI-TION OPENING

The Town of Ennis is accepting applications for a Seasonal Custodial Position.

The position will be from April 16th through October 16th, 2015. This position is cleaning of the Lion's Park Rest Area on a daily basis. Wage for this position is \$500.00 per month.

Applications and further information regarding this position can be obtained at Ennis Town Hall. Any questions regarding the position can be directed to Kelly Elser, Director of Public Works, @ 406 682-4287. Applications will be accepted until 5:00 p.m., March 31, 2015. EEOC. 20-3-b

Lifeguards Pool Manager Sheridan Alder Parks and Recreation Dept/Ruby Valley Swimming Pool for Summer Season 2015.

Apply online at www.rubyvalleyswimmingpool.com 18-3-b

Local partnership seeks innovative part time educator to work with area youth year-round. Applications due 3/18/2015. Position description and application information available at www.madisoncd.org.

Local summer camp seeks part time assistant director to help with youth instruction and activities. Applications due 4/1/2015. Position description and application information available at www.madisoncd.org. 19-2-b

JOB NOTICE:

The Clerk of District Court will be accepting applications until filled for the part-time on-call position of Deputy Clerk of District Court. The Deputy Clerk assists the Clerk of District Court as the official keeper of all District Court records for the County and is responsible for performing a multitude of considerably difficult, wide-ranging clerical duties with accuracy, timeliness and confidentiality. Competitive starting wage is dependent on experience. Interested candidates may request a full job description and employment application by contacting the Clerk of District Court's office at 406-843-4230 or email at kmiller@mt.gov . Applications can also be obtained through the county website at www.madison.mt.gov or Montana Job Service. Completed applications can be taken to the Clerk of District Court's office or mailed to PO Box 185, Virginia City, MT 59755.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

IN THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF

MONTANA, COUNTY OF MADISON HUGH A. LEŚLIE and MILDRED ARLENE Plaintiffs

JOHN PORTER NELSON II, and/or his Heirs and Devisees, and ESTELLE FAYE NELSON STOCKMAN, and/or her Heirs and Devisees, and all other persons, unknown, claiming or who might claim any right, title, estate, or interest in or lien or encumbrance upon the real property described in the Complaint to Quiet Title, adverse to the Plaintiffs' ownership or any cloud upon the Plaintiffs' title thereto, whether such claim or possible claim be present or contingent,

Defendants Cause No. DV-29-2014-74

The following persons are said to claim an interest in or lien upon said property adverse

JOHN PORTER NELSON II, and/or his Heirs

and Devisees, of 6679 Twin Oaks, Paradise, CA 95969 and ESTELLE FAYE NELSON STOCKMAN,

and/or her Heirs and Devisees, of 909 East 1st Street, Long Beach, CA 90802 Dated: January 21, 2015 Karen McMullin

Attorney for Plaintiffs (Pub. Feb 12, 19, 26, March 5, 12 2015) km

IN THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA, COUNTY OF MADI-

HUGH A. LESLIE and MILDRED ARLENE LESLIE, Plaintiffs,

JOHN PORTER NELSON II, and/or his Heirs and Devisees, and ESTELLE FAYE NELSON STOCKMAN, and/or her Heirs and Devisees, and all other persons, unknown, claiming or who might claim any right, title, estate, or interest in or lien or encumbrance upon the real property described in the Complaint to Quiet Title, adverse to the Plaintiffs' ownership or any cloud upon the Plaintiffs' title thereto, whether such claim or possible claim be present or contingent,

Defendants. Cause No. DV-29-2014-74 SUMMONS FOR PUBLICATION

Filing date: January 30, 2015 GREETINGS FROM THE STATE OF MONTANA To:THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint to Quiet Title in this action,

which is filed in the office of the Clerk of this Court, a copy of which is served upon you, and to file your answer and serve a copy thereof upon the Plaintiffs' attorney within twenty (20) days after the service of this Summons. exclusive of the day of service. In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint to Quiet Title. This action is brought for the purpose of quieting title in the Plantiffs to land situated in Madison County, Montana, and described as follows:

A parcel of land 6' by 50' lying south of Lot 17, Block 2 of the Original Townsite of Ennis, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning as an initial point at the southwest corner of said Lot 17 in Block 2, thence six feet due south to the southwest corner of the lot hereby described; thence due west fifty feet to the southeast corner: thence due north six feet to the northeast corner of the lot hereby described; thence due west fifty feet to the point of beginning, describing a remainder tract created by Book 105, page 615

which real property is contained within: Lot Eight (8), Block Two (2) of the Ennis Addition to the Ennis Townsite of Madison County, Montana; and a parcel of land 50 feet x 144 feet South of Lot Seventeen (17), Block Two (2) of the Original Townsite of Ennis, described as follows:

Beginning at an initial point at the Southwest corner of Lot 17 in Block 2 of the Original Townsite of Ennis in said County thence six feet due south to the northwest corner and point or place of beginning of the lot or tract hereby conveyed, thence due South 144 feet to the Southwest corner of the lot or tract hereby conveyed, thence due east fifty feet to the southeast corner of the lot or tract hereby conveyed, thence due north 144 feet to a point and the northeast corner of the lot or tract hereby conveyed, thence fifty feet due west to the place of beginning. Said tract or lot being 144 feet in length, north and south, and 50 feet in width, east and west, and the north end of said tract being six feet south of the south end of Lot Seventeen, Block Two Original Townsite of Ennis, and as further shown and described on Amended Plat recorded December 2, 2014 in Book 2 of Plats, page 318, in the office of the Clerk and Recorder of Madison County, Montana.

as specified in said Complaint to quiet title, adverse to Plaintiffs' ownership or any cloud deriving therefrom described in the Complaint upon Plaintiffs' title thereto, whether such claim or possible claim be present or

contingent. WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court this 2 day of February, 2015 Clerk of Court

by Karen J. Miller CLERK OF COURT Micah Meyers

DEPUTY CLERK Karen McMullin Attorney for Plaintiffs Post Office Box 55 Ennis, Montana 59729 Telephone: (406) 682-7878 (Pub. Feb 12, 19, 26, March 5, 12 2015) km

NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE OF MINOR **CHILD**

MONTANA FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, MADISON COUNTY Probate No. DV-29-2015-3

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE Gabrielle Rose Hansen-Holman

Child's Full Name Now Morgan Gruby THIS IS NOTICE THAT PETITIONER has

asked the District Court for a change of name

Gabrielle Rose Hansen-Holman

Gabrielle Rose Gruby This hearing will be on April 6, 2015 The hearing will be at the Courthouse in Madison County

KAREN MILLEŔ /s/: Karen Miller Clerk of District Court Madison County (Pub. Feb. 26, Mar. 5, 12, 19) mg

PUBLIC NOTICE
The term of one trustee of Alder School District No. 2 will be up for election this year. Anvone qualified and interested in running for this position, may pick up a nominating petition in the Alder School office. The petitions must be turned into the Alder School office prior to 4:00 pm, March 7726, 2015 not less than forty (40) days before the election on May 5, 2015. (Pub. Feb. 26, Mar. 5, 12, 19) as MNAXLP

The terms of three (3) trustees of Sheridan School District No. 5 will expire this year: two (2) from Sheridan, and one (1) from Alder. Trustees are elected for three year terms. Anyone qualified and interested in running for these positions may pick up a nominating petition in the elementary school office. The petitions must be turned into the elemen-

tary school office prior to 4:00 p.m. Thursday, March 26, 2015, not less than forty (40) days before the election on May 5, 2015. (Pub. Mar. 5, 12, 2015) ss

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE -MADISON COUNTY SUBDIVI-SION REGULATIONS

The Madison County Planning Board will hold a public hearing on the draft Madison County Subdivision Regulations at 6:15 p.m. on Mon-Subdivision Regulations at 6:15 p.m. on Monday, March 30, 2015, in the Commissioners Meeting Room, Madison County Annex, 205 N. Broadway, Virginia City, Montana. The Madison County Subdivision Regulations were last adopted in 2006, and amended in 2008. After considering public recommendations and suggestions on the draft subdivision regulations the Planning Board will vision regulations, the Planning Board will recommend appropriate action be taken by the Madison County Commissioners

Copies of the document are available at the following locations: Commissioners Office & County

Madison County Planning Office, 205 N. Broadway, Virginia City; Madison County Courthouse, 100 W. Wal-

lace, Virginia City; Thompson-Hickman County Library, 217 Idaho Street, Virginia City; Madison Valley Library, 210 East Main Street,

Sheridan Public Library, 109 East Hamilton, Twin Bridges Public Library, 206 South Main,

Big Sky Fire Department, 650 Rainbow Trout Run, Big Sky; and

Big Sky Owners Association, 145 Center Lane, Unit J, Big Sky.
Written comments should be received by

3:00pm on March 30, 2015 and may be sent to the Madison County Planning Board at P.O. Box 278, Virginia City, Montana 59755 (mail); (406) 843-5299 (fax); or planb@madison. mt.gov (email). Oral or written comments may also be given at the public hearing. John Fountain, President, Madison County Planning Board (Pub. Mar. 5, 12, 2015) mcpb

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA,

IN RE ESTATE OF: LONNIE CHANEY HENDERSON, also

known as LONNIE C. HENDERSON, De-Cause No. DP-29-2015-6
That the undersigned has been appointed

Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against said decedent are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or said

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Dated: February 10, 2015 //s// GAE ANN F. HENDERSON-McHALE Personal Representative

GAE ANN F. HENDERSON-McHALE, being first duly sworn, upon oath, deposes and

That she has read the foregoing NOTICE TO CREDITORS and that the facts and matters contained therein are true, correct, accurate and complete to the best of her knowledge and belief. I make this declaration under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of

//s// GAE ANN F. HENDERSON-McHALE Personal Representative State of California / County of Ventura SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 10th day of February, 2015 by GAE ANN F. HENDERSON-McHALE,

proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evi-

dence to be the person who appeared before

11S11 Bhalinder Singh Sindhy Commission # 1924754. Notary Public-California Ventura County My commission expires March 6, 2015 Personal Representative's Attorney: Karen McMullin Post Office Box 55 Ennis, MT 59729 Telephone: (406) 682-7878 (Pub. March 5, 12, 19, 2015) km

MADISON COUNTY PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC **HEARING**

The Madison County Planning Board will conduct a public hearing on Monday, March 30, 2015 at 6:15 pm in the Commissioners meeting room of the Madison County Broadway Annex, 205 N. Broadway, Virginia City,

The purpose of the public hearing is to receive comment on the proposed Luxury Suites Subdivision Planned Unit Develop ment to subdivide 2.698 acres in the NE1/4 Section 24, Township 6 S, Range 2 E, PMM, into a planned unit development of 3 residential condominium lots. Located north of North Rim Drive, in the area formerly known as Cowboy Heaven Phase 3C, Area 3, Condo Lot D

Written comments should be received by 3:00 p.m. on March 30, 2015, and may be sent to the Madison County Planning Board by: Mail to P.O. Box 278, Virginia City, Montana, 59755; Fax to (406) 843-5229; or E-mail to planb@madison.mt.gov. Oral or written comments may also be given at the public

The preliminary plat and supplemental information pertaining to this proposed subdivision is available for review at: •Madison County Planning Office, 205 N. Broadway, Virginia City; •Madison Valley Library, 210 West Main Street Engis:

Street, Ennis: •Big Sky Fire Department, Station 1, 650 Rainbow Trout Run, Big Sky Call (406) 843-5250 for more information.

John Fountain, President, Madison County Planning Board (Pub. Mar. 12, 19 2015) mcpb

The Town of Ennis will host a public hearing on Monday, March 23, 2015, 6:30 PM at the Madison Theatre in Ennis for obtaining public comments regarding a Preliminary Architectural Report and an application for funding

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

to the Montana Department of Commerce's Community Development Block Grant Program to construct a senior citizens center for the Ennis community. At the public hearing representatives of Schlenker & McKittrick Architects and Great West Engineering will explain the proposed project, including the need and purpose, activities, budget, sources of funding, and any costs that may result for local citizens because of the project. All interested persons will be given the opportunity to ask questions and to express their opinions. Comments may be given orally at the hearing or submitted in writing by the end of the

public hearing. Reasonable accommodation will be made for any known disability that may interfere with a person's ability to participate in this public hearing. Persons needing an accommodation must notify the Town of Ennis (406) 682-4287 no later than March 19, 2015 to allow adequate time to make needed arrangements. You may also write to the Town of Ennis at P.O. Box 147, Ennis, MT 59729 or via email at gingerg@ennismontana.org to make your request known or to comment on the proposed

Town of Ennis Becky Vujovich, Mayor (Pub. Mar. 12, 19 2015) toe MNAXLP



Madison Valley Lenten Breakfast Schedule

Madison Valley Baptist Church, Ennis - March 11 St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Ennis - March 18 Assembly of God Church, Ennis - March 25

Meal Served Each Wednesday at 6:30 a.m. Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church -

Ash Wednesday Service 6 p.m. soup/supper, Service at 7 p.m. Wednesday February 18th Lent Services soup/supper 6 p.m. Service 7 p.m. Wednesday Evenings

Ruby Valley Lenten Breakfast Schedule

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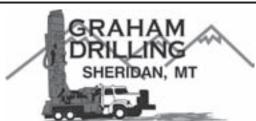


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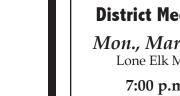
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Ennis students place at regional science fairs

Submitted by Mellissa Newman Ennis Schools

Ennis Schools had a great showing at the Regional Science Fairs held at Montana Tech in Butte. The Division II Regional Science Fair was held on Monday, Feb. 23 and the Division I Regional Science Fair was held on Wednesday, Feb. 25. Both the fifth through eighth-grade participants and the high school participants brought home the first place small schools trophy for their respective divisions. This means for each division, Ennis had the overall highest point total, beating out schools like Three Forks, Ophir, Columbia Falls and more.

Students in fifth, sixth, eighth and 10th grades earned a trip to the Regional Science Fair by qualifying in the top three places with a medal at the local science fair, which was held on Jan. 26, 2015. Avery Oliver, Elina Dilschneider, Rebekah Cook, Jourdain Klein, Whitney McKitrick, Wrenzi Wrzesinski and Cleet Wrzesinski all qualified to compete at the State Science Fair

in Missoula on March 16 and 17. Jenika Finks, Jacob Johnson, Henry Lukas, Shelbey Klein and Tait Olsen also received medals at the Regional Science Fair. Fifth-graders cannot move on to compete at the State Science Fair.

Oliver, Jacob Johnson and Chance Story all won the Montana Fish. Wildlife and Parks Award. S. Klein won the Berkeley Pit Educational Advisory Award. Lukas won the Montana Tech Mines and Geology Mineral Museum Award and the Montana Tech Petroleum Engineering Department Award. Ty Morgan and Grady Lohrenz won the PPL of Montana Award. C. Wrzesinski won the United States Air Force Award.

Below are the placings for both the Division II and Division I Regional Science Fairs.

DIVISION II

Fifth-grade

Life: Jenika Finks – blue ribbon – first place, gold medal; Jacob Johnson - blue

ribbon - first place, bronze medal Earth: Henry Lukas – blue ribbon – first place, gold medal; Shelbey Klein – blue ribbon – first place, silver medal

Physical: Tait Olsen – blue ribbon - first place, gold medal; Alana Nelsen Sorenson – red ribbon – second place Sixth-grade

Life: Elina Dilschneider – blue ribbon – first place, bronze medal, qualified for state; Chance Story – red ribbon – second place: Tyler Rolfe – red ribbon – second place

Physical: Bronwyn Comer white ribbon – third place

Earth: Avery Oliver – blue ribbon - first place, gold medal, qualified for state; Rebekah Cook - blue ribbon - first place, gold medal, qualified for state Eighth-grade

Life: Wrenzi Wrzesinski – blue ribbon - first place, gold medal, qualified for state; Logan Crowley and Katherine Ball – red ribbon – second place

Earth: Jourdain Klein and Whitney McKitrick – blue ribbon – first place. silver medal, qualified for state

Physical: Caroline Goodman

- red ribbon - second place Behavioral: Mekayla Adamkiewicz and Madison Goettle - white ribbon - second place

DIVISION I

10th-grade

Engineering: Ty Morgan and Grady Lohrenz – white ribbon – third place Microbiology: Becca Thomas and Alysa Fugal – white ribbon – third place; Ana Garcia and Alyssa Kimmey – white ribbon – third place Earth Science: Bryson Glines and Bridger Williams - white ribbon - third place

Behavioral and Social Science: Brigit Croy and Baylee Sciuchetti - white ribbon - third place; Caelin Marum – white ribbon – third place Computer Science: Cleet Wrzesinski – blue ribbon - first place, silver medal, qualified for state





Photos courtesy of Roxane Shammel

Healthy habits with PALZ

Submitted by Zoe Lee $Sheridan\ FCCLA$

Zoe Lee, Kaleb Smail and Michael McCormack, three Sheridan Family, Career and Community Leaders of America members worked with PALZ kids for a FCCLA project. Using the FCCLA national program, Student Body, they taught the kids

how to eat right, be fit and make healthy choices.

First, they went in and taught them how to be fit. They taught the kids how long it is recommended to be physically active a day, how to drink enough fluids to maintain good hydration and how eating healthy foods is beneficial when exercising. The members

played a couple different games with the kids for an hour. Then they taught them facts about being fit. The second activity of the project was geared towards making healthy choices. The making healthy choices portion of the project focused on eating healthier, being fit and staying away from drugs and alcohol. The members played

a game that they created with the PALZ kids. The game the members created was called Space Ball. After they played with the kids, they taught the students the harmful affects tobacco and alcohol can have on a person. They also taught the students what other factors there are to making healthy choices. The last time they went

to go in with the kids was aimed to teaching them to eat right. Before the members taught them anything, they cut up fruit to make fruit kabobs. They had the kids line up and take a kabob stick. They made the kids take at least one of every fruit. Once they had eaten all of their kabobs, they taught the children facts

about eating right. They taught them things like how much fruit is recommended a day, what not to eat and what is good to drink.

After they had gotten all done with teaching the kids on how to eat right, be fit and make healthy choices, the PALZ kids had a much better understanding of healthy habits.

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Madison County photo contest

Submitted by Ethan Kunard Madison Conservation District

Now is the time for you to show off your beautiful photographs of the Madison and Ruby valleys in the second annual Madison and Ruby Valley Conservation District photo contest. This is your opportunity to have your photos displayed for the public and have them used in future publications

by your local conservation district. The contest is open to all photographers – you may submit up to a total of five photos that fit within any of the following categories: landscapes, conservation, agriculture, water and wildlife. Then, depending on which side of the hill the photos were taken, they will be displayed on the Madison or Ruby Valley Conservation District Facebook pages

for public voting.

There will be one grand prizewinner selected from each conservation district and the winners will each receive two tickets to the annual Ruby and Madison Valley Conservation District banquet on April 18. Second and third place winners from each district will receive a gift certificate to a local business. Submissions are due March 27, and

Facebook voting will begin on March 30. Winners will be announced on April 13.

To enter, please submit your Madison Valley photos to Ethan Kunard at ethan@ madisoned.org and send your Ruby Valley photos to David Stout at ruby.bswc@ gmail.com. Please include the following in your email: your name, phone number, mailing address and location in which the photo was taken.



Montana Association of Counties offers President's Scholarships

Submitted by Montana **Association of Counties**

Dave Schulz, Madison County commissioner and president of the Montana Association of Counties, announced the availability of MACo President's Scholarships to this year's graduating high school seniors residing in Madison County. A \$1,000 scholarship and

a \$500 scholarship will be awarded based upon merit to graduating seniors who will be attending a Montana community college or a four year degree of the Montana University system and whose courses of study are encouraged to include but are not limited to political science, public administration, social sciences, communications, public relations or general

studies with an emphasis in government-related studies.

The scholarships are awarded each year to high school seniors residing in the home county of the MACo president. Schulz said the scholarships are designed to help develop student understanding of local government activities, responsibilities and commitment to

community service.

The application forms are available at the Madison County Commissioners' office and at the Ennis High School, Harrison High School, Sheridan High School and Twin Bridges High School administration offices.

For information about deadlines and selections, contact the MACo office at 449-4360.



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4 Paws Rescue gets a home

Submitted by Misty Hammerbacker Paws Rescue is excited about it. 4 PAWS RESCUE

During a recent board meeting, 4 Paws Rescue president Bonny White announced that 4 Paws Rescue has been anonymously donated land in Jefferson County. Construction will begin soon on a much needed animal shelter. A savings account has been set up for quite awhile at Rocky Mountain Bank in Whitehall. With donations, it has slowly grown and will be utilized for building the shelter. These savings, as well as people donating their time and talents, will help build a nice building for the pets. This has been long time coming and everyone at 4

The new facility will

continue to assist both Madison and Jefferson counties. Having an actual shelter facility will be a great relief for the board members who have fostered all the pets in their personal homes.

The shelter will also assist law enforcement in both counties, as they will have access to the facility at all hours.

"We will actually have a facility where we will have a space for each of the sheriff's departments that only they will have access to," said Misty Hammerbacker.

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MON MARCH 16 Muffins Waffle

TUES MARCH 17 French toast Chicken taco

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WED MARCH 11 Biscuits and gravy Goulash

THURS MARCH 12 Sloppy joes

FRI MARCH 13 Chef or taco salad

MON MARCH 16

Scrambled egg bake

Ravioli TUES MARCH 17 Cereal "Lucky Charms" Corned beef and cabbage

Harrison

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WED MARCH 11 Waffles Sub sandwich bar

THURS MARCH 12

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MON MARCH 16 French toast Fish sticks

TUES MARCH 17 Bagels and cream cheese Pot O' Gold

> Sheridan Both breakfast and lunch served with 8 oz milk.

WED MARCH 11 Taco roll ups **Pancakes**

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FRI MARCH 13

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WEDNESDAY MARCH 11

Winter Workshop: Forage Valuation, Ennis

Basement conference room of the First Madison Valley Bank from 12 - 2 p.m. We are pleased to welcome Dr. Emily Glunk, forage specialist with MSU Extension. Emily will cover the hows and whys of forage sampling and testing, to give your livestock the nutrition they depend on and to keep them healthy. RSVP by noon March 9th to sunni@madisoncd. org or 682-3181.

THURSDAY MARCH 12

Madison Valley Book Club, Ennis

1 p.m. at Madison Valley Public Library. The book club will be discussing Orange is the New Black by Piper Kerman.

SATURDAY

Cake Walk, Virginia City

to have a ball at the annual Virginia City cake walk. This is one of the best family fun events of the year! In fact, it's so much fun that you'll forget that you are raising money Fire Department. There will be cakes galore, a cash bar, cupcakes for the little ones, and a DJ spinning classic tunes all at the Elk's Lodge in Virginia City on Saturday at 6 p.m.

11 a.m., Madison Valley Public Library. Jessie Close will speak about her book "Resilience: Two sisters and the story of a mental illness". She will discuss the book and her struggles with bipolar disorder.

Speak, Ennis

Tobacco Roots Music Open Mic, Sheridan 7 p.m. at Shovel and

Spoon. Our featured performer will be Dave Walker, an exciting performer well known for his craft and showmanship. The open mic will continue until the last act gets to play. PA provided. Food available.

Live Music, Virginia City 6 p.m. at the Pioneer Bar. Larry Myer live acoustics.

The Jungle Book MCT performance, Ennis

7 p.m. in Ennis elementary school gym.

MONDAY MARCH 16

NCAA Calcutta, Twin Bridges

The Twin Bridges Community Association announces its annual NCAA Calcutta. This fun and quick auction of the 64 final teams will take place at the Lost Cabin Bar. Doors open at 5 p.m. and the auction starts promptly at 6:15 p.m. Snacks will be provided and 50/50 tickets will also be sold.

Speaker, Sheridan

Two presentations. Third and fourth grade presentation: 10 a.m.

Fifth and sixth grade presentation: 12:45 p.m. Humanities Montana Speakers Bureau Program "Before the Horse: Northern Rockies Lifestyle with Kae Cheatham. Free presentation and

Bake Sale, Sheridan

open to the public.

9 a.m – 12 noon at Bethany Hall. All proceeds go to support this years Easter Egg Hunt call Lynda Johnston 842-7883

TUESDAY MARCH 17

MVHA Annual Irish Stew Dinner, Ennis

Madison Valley History Association's annual fundraiser. Join in the fun with an Irish stew dinner on William Ennis' birthday. 5 - 7 p.m. at Ennis school cafeteria.

THURSDAY MARCH 19

Old Timer's Concert, Sheridan

The 41st annual Old Timer's concert will appear on the vintage stage of Sheridan's high school at 6:30 p.m., with the flair of country, gospel, bluegrass and just plain oldfashioned, fun music. Intermission includes a pie and cake auction to benefit the Sheridan Music Department. Students bake their best and guests bid,

SATURDAY MARCH 21

buy and enjoy.

Shriner Oyster Feed, Dillon

4 to 8 p.m. at Dillon Elks

Lodge in Dillon. Event is sponsored by the Southern Montana shrine club. The proceeds to go to the Southern Montana shrine club. Tickets available at these fine stores Thomas Co. Jewelers, Mac's Last Cast Bar, 3-D store, Dillon liquor store, Dillon bar, Dillon Elks or any Shriner's in your area. First 300 ticket holders will receive a free Coziest

SUNDAY MARCH 22

cup holder. Ticket

donation is \$30.00

Senior Citizen Potluck, Ennis

Ennis VFW Hall from 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. If you plan to attend and your last name beains with A-H bring a salad, I-P bring a casserole, Q-Z bring a dessert. Can't cook or don't cook? Bring a joke or a story. Card tables and game tables will be open. When all else fails, call Zoe 682-4360.

THURSDAY MARCH 26

Mad Gals Monthly Meeting, McAllister 12:30 p.m. Monthly

luncheon at McAllister Bar & Grill.

MARCH 27-30

Cheesemakina workshop, Laurin

If you are an aspiring cheesemaker or simply interested in learning more about cheesemaking from the ground up - this one's for you. For more information contact Poor Orphan at 842-7100.

> **SATURDAY** MARCH 28

SHERIDAN SCHOOLS ADULT **EDUCATION**

BASIC SELF DEFENSE

MARCH 14, 9AM - NOON IN THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

A minimum of 5 participants required.

To register for a class call Emily at 842-5302.



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LIVE MUSIC

FRIDAY MARCH 13TH: RICKETTY CHIX SATURDAY MARCH 14TH: THE JACK CREEK COYLES FOR A ST PADDY'S DAY CELEBRATION

WEAR GREEN & GET \$2.00 OFF YOUR PURCHASE FRIDAY MARCH 20TH: DAN DUBUQUE

Come join the fun, listen to some great music from 5:30 - 7:30 and enjoy spirits with a western flavor!

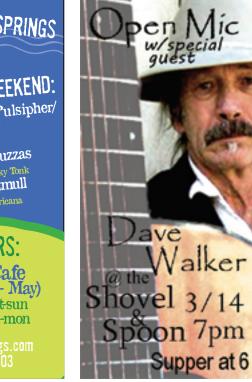
Tobacco Roots Music Open Mic, Sheridan

7 p.m. at Shovel and Spoon. Open mic featuring Sandy James, uncommon original artist, writer/singer of satirical and comedic music performed on piano. Followed by an open mic. PA provided and food will be available.









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Friday-Sunday, March 13-15 THE SPONGEBOB MOVIE: SPONGE OUT OF WATER (PG) Friday & Saturday 7:15 pm Matinee Sunday 4:00 pm Coming Soon -MCFARLAND USA (PG), FOCUS (R) Evenings: Adults \$8 • Children (12 & under) \$6 Show time at 7:15 pm,

MARCH 14

The entire family is sure

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Jessie Close to

REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS

MONDAYS

Commissioner's

Meeting, Virginia City Madison Co. Commissioners meet every Monday, unless noted, public welcome. 9:30 a.m. Annex Building

TUESDAYS

Fly-tying Roundtable, Ennis

Come one, come all. Tuesday nights 6:30 -8:30 p.m. Ray Plante's cabinet shop at 113 Antelope Meadows.

Lego Club, Ennis Come to the Madison Valley Public Library to join, build and create every Tuesday after

school until 5 p.m.

Madison County Mental Health Local Advisory Council, Virginia City
Meeting the first Tuesday
of each month from
4:30 - 6:30 p.m. in
County Commissioner's conference room in

Broadway Annex. Children's Story & Craft Time, Virginia City Every Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. at the Thompson Hickman Library.

WEDNESDAYS

Open Table Tennis, **Pony** 7 - 9 p.m. For all ages and skill levels - Two Tables At the Pony School Info @ 685-3481

TOPS, Ennis Weekly weigh-in, 9:00 a.m. Meeting, 9:30 a.m. MVMC in downstairs conference room. Jeanne, 682-3299

Books and Babies, Ennis Madison Valley Public Library, 10:30 a.m. 682-7244

Grief Support Group, Ennis Everyone welcome. Meets every Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. Madison Valley

Baptist Church THURSDAYS

MV Women's Club FIRST THURS OF EA. MONTH

Regular monthly meeting noon at the Madison Valley Baptist Church on 287 N.

MV Manor Auxilary Meeting, Ennis SECOND THURS OF EA. MONTH 1 p.m., Madison Valley Manor SunRoom

FRIDAYS

Story Time, Ennis Pre-K to Grade 2, 11 a.m. Madison Valley Public Library. 682-7244.

Live Music, Ennis Willie's Distillery hosts live music in the tasting room, 5:30 p.m.. See the weekly ad on this page for performers.

FRIDAY-SATURDAY-SUNDAY

Live Music - Norris 7 p.m. See the weekly ad on this page for weekly performers.